

Coating apparatus

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In the present coating apparatus, a piezovalve driven by piezoelectric elements is used as an opening and closing valve 79. The use of the piezovalve which can nearly disregard delay time makes it possible to accurately control the time of operating the opening and closing valve 79 and to finely control working speed thereof at the time of opening and closing the valve. Therefore, operation necessary for closing the valve can be slowly performed, thus appropriately preventing dripping of a resist solution and occurrence of bubbles in a resist solution by air which enters from a forward end of a resist nozzle 60.

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Resist coater for semiconductor wafer in image development system -
 controls valve using piezoelectric element

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NOVELTY - Resist liquid accommodated in a tank is discharged through a resist nozzle to a substance. Liquid is pumped into the tank by a pump. The opening-closing of the valve (79) is electrically controlled by the piezoelectric element (87j).

USE - The image development system is used for forming resist pattern on wafer of semiconductor device.

ADVANTAGE - No formation of air bubbles even with the low resist liquid and also fine tuning of the operating speed of the valve by means of the piezoelectrically controlled system. DESCRIPTION OF

DRAWING(S) - The figure illustrates the sectional view of the valve. (79) Opening-closing valve; (87j) Piezo-electric element.

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